

# FRANCHISE IS EXEMPT.

# No Truth in Report That Conger Is to Be Delivered Up Alive to Admiral Remy.

REMEY GOING  
TO TIEN TSIN TO  
INVESTIGATE.

# HANCOCK WILL CARRY AMERICAN TROOPS TO TAKU

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The War Department is considering the advisability of sending the Hancock which sailed from San Francisco July 23th, with four batteries of artillery and 500 marines, direct to Taku instead of to Nagasaki. These troops were to have gone on the Meade, which sails August 1st, but it has been decided, owing to the urgent necessity of awaiting reinforcements to China, to have the Hancock make a special trip. She will carry stores and provisions only for the troops in China. The Meade, on the other hand, will take out one battalion of the Fifteenth Infantry, one squadron of the Third Cavalry and one company of

"Since the commencement of the attack on Tien Tsin there are foreign subjects in the city who have been subjected to the local disturbances suffered as a result of the loss of property through no fault of their own. We hereby command the Governor of Peking and the Viceroy of Chi Li to cause investigations to be made by the respective subordinates in the said provinces, except those arising directly from the said attack, with a view to their ultimate settlement. Moreover, local outbreaks and rebellious soldiers have of late given themselves up to burning, killing and plundering to the great disquiet of the people. We hereby command the maintenance of law. We hereby command the Governors-General, Governors and commanders of our forces to investigate the situation and to take such measures for the punishment of offenders and restoration of order as the necessities of the case demand. We hereby command this, our general edict, to be made known

Associated Press Dispatches by  
The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
NEW YORK, July 23.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Chefoo July 23 says:  
"A brilliant dash against a large force of Chinese at Tien Tsin was made this morning by a detachment of American troops assisted by some English fusiliers. The object was to capture a battery of guns which had been doing great damage. The Anglo-American forces charged, a large force of the

kept firing, but the Chinese gave up. What had happened during the night was that the British and Japanese landing parties had captured the large north batteries. By 4 o'clock and then turned upon the Chinese. The Chinese were so "strange" to say the gunboats suffered very little: the shot passed over them and did more damage to Tong Ku than to them.

"One Russian boat only was seriously hit and she was put out of action, had a boiler exploded and nearly sank. The Chinese were very anxious to capture the boiler exploding, a five inch shell being found lying in the bent tubes of her

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The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.  
NEW YORK, July 23.—Senator Nathan R. Scott came up from West Virginia today and went on to the rooms of the Republican National Committee. Scott will have charge of the Republican speech making. He said:  
"I expect to have a great many propositions made to me by the people of this country. We expect such men as Arthur Burroughs, Senator Lodge, Edmund Smith and Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Harrison, to make

ness of the corporation, as stated in its

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